

MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FULL BOARD
JUNE 14, 2001
AMENDED

The Macomb County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 p.m. on June 14, 2001 at the Macomb County Board of Commissioners Conference Room, Mount Clemens. Chairman Hertel called the meeting to order and the following members were present:

Ralph A. Liberato	District 1
Marvin Sauger	District 2
Phillip A. DiMaria	District 3
Jonathan Lafferty	District 4
Dennis Olshove	District 5
Joan Flynn	District 6
Sue Rocca	District 7
Diana J. Kolakowski	District 8
Robert Mijac	District 9
Philis DeSaele	District 10
Peter J. Lund	District 12
John C. Hertel	District 14
Nicholyn A. Brandenburg	District 15
Thomas Rombach	District 16
Bobby L. Hill	District 17
Michael C. Sessa	District 18
James M. Perna	District 19
Nancy M. White	District 20
Leonard Haggerty	District 21
Elizabeth Slind	District 22
Robert M. Sawicki	District 23
Roland R. Frascchetti	District 24
Peggy A. Kennard	District 25

Commissioners Szczepanski and Brown were excused.

Commissioner Brown attending a Land Use Tour on the east coast with the Michigan Farm Bureau.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Flynn gave the invocation.

AGENDA

A **MOTION** to adopt the Agenda, **AS AMENDED, TO INCLUDE #10**, was made by Commissioner Haggerty, supported by Commissioner Liberato.

Commissioner Lafferty asked to add a Resolution Commending St. Cletus Catholic Church on its 40th Anniversary (include Liberato). There were **NO** objections.

THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED CARRIED.

MINUTES

A **MOTION** to approve the minutes dated 5/10/01, 5/16/01 (Special Meeting) and 6/12/01 (Public Hearing) was made by Commissioner Slinde, supported by Commissioner Liberato, and the **MOTION CARRIED**.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In Memory of Commissioner Hill's wife, Elsa, who died on June 8, 2001.

PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Gina Vitella, Clinton Township resident, Friend of the Court

Employee

Spoke regarding the discrimination and pension inequity.

Sharon Skoczen, 13947 Brougham, Sterling Heights

Upset with the noise and traffic at Freedom Hill. Indicated that the construction noise goes on 24 hours a day.

Lee Sorenson, 5559 Meadow Lane, Shelby Township

Thanked the Board of Commissioners for supporting Rails-To-Trails.

Timothy Malone, 14708 Carmel Drive, Sterling Heights

Mark Ziot 14586 Carmel Drive, Sterling Heights

Very unhappy with the noise and traffic at Freedom Hill. Feels the Board has failed in its responsibilities of protecting the welfare of the citizens in Macomb County.

Carolyn Platt

Spoke regarding the discrimination in the county.

Steven Wojno, 14046 Brougham, Sterling Heights

Pleaded with the commissioners to rethink what is happening to the community that surrounds Freedom Hill.

Lisa Dobson, Macomb County Resident

Spoke regarding discrimination in the county pension plans.

Michael Sproll, 21710 Alexander, St. Clair Shores

Thanked the commissioners for supporting Rails-To-Trails.

Nancy Reyntens, 48259 Elmwood, Shelby Twp., Macomb County Employee 20 years

Spoke regarding pension equality for all county employees.

George Parker, 13899 Brougham, Sterling Heights

Very upset with the noise and traffic at Freedom Hill.

Christina Kuhn, Macomb County Court Reporter

Louise Bertolini, 23621 Straigier, Clinton Twp.

Spoke regarding contract negotiations and indicated that equality is the issue.

Sue Grucz, New Baltimore Resident, Court Reporter/Juvenile Court

Read a letter written by the Honorable Pamela Gilbert O'Sullivan supporting pension equality for all county employees

Kathy Flanagan, Nurse at Martha T. Berry, St. Clair County Resident

Kathy Fischer, Nurse at Martha T. Berry, 2930 Kilcore, Wales Twp.

Spoke regarding the nurse's wages and patient care. Indicated while the employees are grateful for the renovations done at Martha T. Berry, they would like better wages and better pension benefits.

Janet Skoczen, 35959 Foothill Drive, Sterling Heights

Bob Movich, 35726 Georgetown Drive, Sterling Heights

Kim Keller, 14554 Royal Drive, Sterling Heights

Joseph Ciesinski, 13927 Wales Court, Sterling Heights

Very upset with the Freedom Hill Amphitheater, the noise, the traffic and construction.

Christine Albrecht, Macomb County Friend of the Court Employee

Deborah McClellan, 3713 Lake Forest Drive, Sterling Heights

Lucy Ludwig, Sterling Heights, 30 Year Macomb County Juvenile Court Employee

Julie Smelser, Macomb County Facilities & Operations Employee

Linda Pare, Warren, Macomb County Employee

Wanda Vasko, 40848 LaGrange Drive, Sterling Heights, Clinton Township Employee

Sandra Zaidi, 18835 Highlake Drive, Clinton Twp., Macomb County Friend of the Court Employee

Joann Priester, 13124 Burgess, Memphis, 16 Year Macomb County Employee

Connie Miller, Harrison Twp., Macomb County Sheriff Department Employee

Lee Breasbois, 14 Year Macomb County Employee

All Spoke regarding the discrimination of female county employees. Urging the board for pension equality for all county employees.

Hugo DeCampos, 35616 Alta Vista, Sterling Heights

Indicated that he and his family moved to Sterling Heights three months ago. Very disturbed with the noise he hears at his residence coming from the Freedom Hill Amphitheater.

Chairman Hertel called a recess at 8:25 p.m.

Reconvened 8:40 p.m.

A **MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES** for the sole purpose of having Corporation Counsel explain what authority the County Board has in dealing with the noise levels at Freedom Hill was made by Commissioner Kolakowski, supported by Commissioner Lafferty, and the **MOTION CARRIED.**

George Brumbaugh (**VERBATIM**) The agreement that was signed between Hillside Productions and the Parks and Recreation Commission require that Hillside Productions comply with all local ordinances, state laws and federal laws. The City of Sterling Heights does have a noise ordinance. Hillside Productions is required to comply with that noise ordinance. The City of Sterling Heights has enforcement powers with regard to that noise and has the sole power to enforce that noise ordinance against anyone who violates it, including Hillside Productions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE – June 4, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Senior Citizens Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson DeSaele, supported by Vice-Chairperson Szczepanski, to adopt the committee recommendations.

1. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF AN \$8,820 EQUIPMENT AND BUILDING RENOVATION MINI-GRANT AWARD FROM MICHIGAN OFFICES OF SERVICES TO THE AGING. GRANT REQUIRES NO COUNTY MATCH AND WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR CLIENT USE IN BOTH ADULT DAY CARE CENTERS.
2. ACCEPT CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,308 FROM AREA AGENCY ON AGING 1-B AND ADJUST BOTH THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE POSITIONS OF THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.
3. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OF UP TO \$1,500 FROM OFFICE OF SERVICES TO THE AGING (OSA) AND THE MICHIGAN SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION FOR THE SCAMS, SCHEMES, SWINDLES AND SENIORS CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 21, 2001. NO COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS ARE REQUIRED.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – June 5, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Planning & Economic Development Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Flynn, supported by Vice-Chairperson Sawicki, to adopt the committee recommendations.

1. APPROVE THE "INTERGOVERNMENTAL LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR MACOMB COUNTY DIGITAL GEOGRAPHIC DATA SETS" AND THE "LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR MACOMB COUNTY DIGITAL GEOGRAPHIC DATA SETS."
2. APPROVE THE FEE SCHEDULE AS PRESENTED FOR THE SALE OF DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTOGRAPHY AND RELATED GIS PRODUCTS.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE – June 5, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Legislative & Administrative Services Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Mijac, supported by Vice-Chairperson Rocca, to adopt the committee recommendations.

Commissioner Brandenburg requested the minutes reflect that all **RFP's** will be brought back to the committees for approval.

Vice-Chairperson Liberato (as Chair) concurred.

1. ADOPT THE WEB USAGE AND PRIVACY POLICY TO BE PUBLISHED ON THE COUNTY WEB HOME PAGE, AND WEB ADVERTISEMENT POLICY, AS OUTLINED IN CORRESPONDENCE DATED MAY 23, 2001 FROM THE **MIS** DIRECTOR.
2. APPROVE ISSUE OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE SYSTEM **RFP**.
3. APPROVE ISSUE OF THE MANAGED CELLULAR PHONE SERVICE **RFP**.
4. APPROVE ISSUE OF THE CORRECTIONS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM **RFP**.
5. PURCHASE AN ADDITIONAL **FORMSCAPE** NETWORK PRINT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM LICENSE AND ASSOCIATED HARDWARE FOR USE BY **MIS** TO SERVE AS THE REPLACEMENT FOR THE CURRENT UNISYS-ONLY DELPHAX PRINTING SYSTEM, COST OF \$89,865.00 IS AVAILABLE IN **MIS** CAPITAL FUND.
6. PURCHASE 120 ADDITIONAL GROUPWISE USER LICENSES TO ENABLE THE FRIEND OF THE COURT STAFF TO BE CONNECTED TO THE COUNTY'S ELECTRONIC MAIL SYSTEM AT A COST OF \$8,725.00 WITH FUNDING AVAILABLE IN THE **MIS** CAPITAL FUND AND IS 60% REIMBURSABLE UNDER THE STATE **CRP** CONTRACT.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE – June 6, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Health Services Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson White, supported by Vice-Chairperson Haggerty, to adopt the committee recommendations.

1. AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONSULT WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH REGARDING A NEW FOCUS FOR ADOLESCENT HEALTH SERVICES IN NEW HAVEN AND OTHER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
2. AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY TO THE MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR A HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS
WASTE COLLECTION INITIATIVE GRANT AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CLEAN
MICHIGAN INITIATIVE (CMI).

THE MOTION CARRIED.

OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – June 7, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Operational Services Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Hill, supported by Vice-Chairperson Lafferty, to adopt the committee recommendations.

Commissioner Hill asked to separate Motion #6. There were **NO** objections.

A vote was taken on the following:

1. **AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR THE WORK PERFORMED AS FOLLOWS:**

GRAPHIC CONTROL PANEL/JAIL	COM-TEC, INC.	\$13,455.00
CLEMENS CENTER RENOVATION	JAMES DeBARD ARCHITECTS	14,075.00
MARTHA T. BERRY RENOVATION	EDMUND LONDON & ASSOCIATES	116,587.94
YOUTH HOME ADDITION & REN.	WAKELY ASSOCIATES	39,760.00

2. **CONCUR WITH THE REQUEST OF THE MT. CLEMENS DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZE THE UTILIZATION OF THE PARKING STRUCTURE FOR THE 2001 SEASON OF EVENTS (JUNE 29, AUGUST 25 AND DECEMBER 31); THE CITY WILL PROVIDE THE APPROPRIATE INSURANCE DOCUMENTS NAMING THE COUNTY AS ADDITIONAL INSURED ALONG WITH ADDITIONAL SECURITY AND POLICE FOR ALL EVENTS AND A FIRE WATCH TEAM FOR THE NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA.**

3. **CONCUR WITH THE ACTING PURCHASING MANAGER AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING COPIER PURCHASES:**

ONE IR-210 COPY SYSTEM FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES, FROM OUR CONTRACTED VENDOR, IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS, WITH A GSA PRICING OF \$4,475.00; FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE CONVENIENCE COPIER FUND; AND

ONE IR-550 COPY SYSTEM FOR JUVENILE DRUG COURT, FROM OUR CONTRACTED VENDOR, IKON OFFICE SOLUTIONS, WITH A GSA PRICING OF \$15,343.00; FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM A JUVENILE DRUG COURT GRANT.

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4. CONCUR WITH THE ACTING PURCHASING MANAGER AND AWARD THE LAWN SIGNAGE FOR THE VARIOUS COUNTY BUILDINGS TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, PHILLIPS SIGN & LIGHTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,182.38; FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE 2001 FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS BUILDING REPAIR ACCOUNT.
5. CONCUR WITH THE ACTING PURCHASING MANAGER AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR PROBATE COURT FROM OUR CONTRACTED FURNITURE VENDOR, WORKPLACE INTEGRATORS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,537.34; FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE 2001 FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FUND.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

SEPARATED MOTION

6. AUTHORIZE A NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, CHAIRMEN OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONERS HILL AND ROMBACH, CORPORATION COUNSEL AND FINANCE DIRECTOR, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY OWNER TO LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 45 S. MAIN.

A **SUBSTITUTED MOTION** was made by Commissioner Hill, supported by Commissioner Liberato to read as follows:

SUBSTITUTE MOTION

AUTHORIZE A NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, CHAIRMEN OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONERS HILL AND ROMBACH, CORPORATION COUNSEL AND FINANCE DIRECTOR, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY OWNER ~~TO LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING THE~~ ***FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 45 S. MAIN TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENT LIABILITIES AND BUILDING DEMOLITION COSTS.***

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT

Commissioner Sessa offered a friendly amendment inserting after the word owner the following language: ***and reporting to the County Board of Commissioners before any contractual agreement is entered into.*** Commissioner Hill accepted the Friendly Amendment.

A vote was taken on the **AMENDED SUBSTITUTE MOTION** as follows:

AMENDED SUBSTITUTE MOTION

AUTHORIZE A NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, CHAIRMEN OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES,

COMMISSIONERS HILL AND ROMBACH, CORPORATION COUNSEL AND FINANCE DIRECTOR, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY OWNER ***AND REPORTING TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BEFORE ANY CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 45 S. MAIN TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENT LIABILITIES AND BUILDING DEMOLITION COSTS.***

THE MOTION CARRIED, with Commissioners DeSaele, Frascchetti and Brandenburg voting **NO**.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – June 8, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Community Services Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Brandenburg, supported by Vice-Chairperson Kennard, to adopt the committee recommendations.

1. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF THE HOME DELIVERED MEALS AND CONGREGATE NUTRITION PROGRAM PROPOSALS TO AREA AGENCY ON AGING 1-B FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2001 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2002.
2. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF THE HOME INJURY CONTROL PROGRAM PROPOSAL TO AREA AGENCY ON AGING 1-B FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2001 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2002.
3. APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE SENIOR CITIZEN CHORE PROGRAM PROPOSAL TO AREA AGENCY ON AGING 1-B FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2001 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2002.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – June 11, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Personnel Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Liberato, supported by Vice-Chairperson Haggerty, to adopt the committee recommendations.

Commissioner Liberato read into the record a statement prepared by Commissioner Brown who could not be here this evening. The letter is dated June 14, 2001 and has been received and filed by the recording secretary.

(VERBATIM) Because I am attending a land tour of three east coast states with the leadership from the Michigan House of Representatives, I am unable to attend tonight's Full Board Meeting.

Following Monday's Personnel Committee meeting, I reviewed the numbers of the four

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*contracts and I **support** the ratification of all four contracts. These negotiations were difficult and both sides had to give. In the end, these contracts are less costly and will not eliminate our ability to prefund our retiree medical benefits, which was my primary concern.*

Commissioner Lund asked his **NO** votes be recorded from committee. There were **NO** objections

Commissioner Sessa indicated he is voting **NO** on all four contracts.

Commissioner Brandenburg asked to separate Motions #2 and #3. There were **NO** objections.

A vote was taken on the following:

1. RECONFIRM THE FOLLOWING VACANCIES:

1. (1) COURT CLERK	COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
2. (1) ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	EQUALIZATION
3. (1) CUSTODIAN/GROUNDSKEEPER	FACILITIES & OPERATIONS
4. (1) FIELD INVESTIGATOR I/II	FRIEND OF THE COURT
5. (1) COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST	COMMUNITY SERVICES
6. (1) HOME DELIVERED MEALS CLERK	COMMUNITY SERVICES
7. (1) EMPLOYMENT FACILITATOR	MACOMB/ST.CLAIR EMPLOY. & TRAINING AGENCY
8. (1) NURSE AIDE	MARTHA T. BERRY
9. (1) CHARGE NURSE	MARTHA T. BERRY
10. (1) COMPUTER MAINTENANCE CLERK	PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
11. (1) COMPUTER MAINTENANCE CLERK	PURCHASING
12. (1) DEPUTY	SHERIFF
13. (1) DRUG COURT SUPERVISOR	CIRCUIT COURT/JUVENILE DIVISION
14. (1) PROGRAM SPECIALIST	MSU EXTENSION
15. (1) CAPTAIN	SHERIFF

THE MOTION CARRIED.

SEPARATED MOTION

2. APPROVE THE RATIFICATION OF A THREE (3) YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE SERVICE EMPLOYEES' INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU).

THE MOTION CARRIED, with Commissioners Sessa and Hill voting **NO**.

SEPARATED MOTION

3. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RATIFICATIONS:

FIVE (5) YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT WITH UAW-GENERAL;

FOUR (4) YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT WITH UAW-MANAGEMENT

INFORMATION SERVICES; AND

FIVE (5) YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE BUILDING TRADES ASSOCIATION.

THE MOTION CARRIED, with Commissioners Brandenburg, Lund, Sessa and Hill voting **NO**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE – June 12, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Budget Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Brown, supported by Vice-Chairperson Sauger, to adopt the committee recommendations.

Commissioner Kennard asked to separate Motion #7. There were **NO** objections.

Commissioner Sessa asked to separate Motion #4. There were **NO** objections.

Commissioners Sessa and Lund asked their **NO** votes be recorded on Motion #2. There were **NO** objections.

Commissioner Brandenburg asked her **NO** votes be recorded on Motions #2 and #4. There were **NO** objections.

Commissioner DeSaele asked her **NO** vote be recorded on Motion #4. There were **NO** objections.

A vote was taken on the following:

1. AMEND THE 2001 REIMBURSEMENT DIVISION BUDGET LINE ITEM, FILING FEES, BY \$6,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROCESSING SMALL CLAIMS COURT FILING; FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE 2001 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.
2. AUTHORIZE THE MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MACKINAC LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE DETROIT REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
3. AUTHORIZE CORPORATION COUNSEL TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL FROM THE STATE TAX COMMISSION'S DETERMINATION OF STATE EQUALIZED VALUE OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY.
4. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) ArcGIS SOFTWARE LICENSES, ONE (1) GIS WORKSTATION, ONE (1) MS OFFICE STANDARD BUSINESS SOFTWARE AND FOUR (4) GIS TECHNICAL TRAINING CLASSES FOR THE PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$19,659.00, FUNDING FOR SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,159.00 IS AVAILABLE FROM THE MIS CAPITAL FUND AND \$7,500.00 FOR TRAINING.

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6. REDUCE THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET (503-60173) FOR 2000-2001 BY \$27,562.00 TO REFLECT A FUNDING REDUCTION BY THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

SEPARATED MOTION

7. AUTHORIZE BIDS BE TAKEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF SEVEN VIDEO COURT RECORDING SYSTEMS FOR THE JUVENILE DIVISION OF MACOMB COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT FROM CONTINGENCY FUNDS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.

Commissioner Kennard feels the Board of Commissioners was not given information on possible alternative ways that might have been used to handle the court recording.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

SEPARATED MOTION

5. SPONSOR THE PURCHASE OF 23.5 MILES OF ABANDONED GRAND TRUNK WESTERN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, TRAVERSING THE COUNTY IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION FROM THE WESTERN BORDER OF SHELBY TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF RICHMOND, FOR DEVELOPMENT AS A LINEAR PARK, UTILIZING THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND TO PROVIDE BRIDGE FINANCING FOR THE PURCHASE.

A discussion ensued.

THE MOTION CARRIED, with Commissioners Sessa, Frascchetti, Rocca and Brandenburg voting **NO**.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – June 13, 2001

The Clerk read the recommendations from the Finance Committee and a **MOTION** was made by Chairperson Perna, supported by Vice-Chairperson Slinde, to adopt the committee recommendations.

The following **NO** votes were recorded from committee:

Contraceptives: Brandenburg, DeSaele and Liberato voting **NO**.

1. APPROVE THE INTER-DEPARTMENTAL LINE ITEM BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AS SUBMITTED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT.
2. APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL FOR THE PERIODS MAY 11 AND MAY 25, 2001, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$7,596,362.11, WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS.

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3. APPROVE THE SITE PLAN PROPOSED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE OLD WELFARE BUILDING SITE, INCLUDING THE INSTALLATION OF A FLAG POLE, AT A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$8,500, WITH FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE SERVICE CENTER OPERATING BUDGET

THE MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS/TRIBUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Liberato, supported by Commissioner Haggerty, to adopt the Resolutions and Tributes in their entirety.

Commissioner Lund asked to separate a) Resolution No. 01-53. There were **NO** objections.

Commissioner Sessa asked to separate g) Resolution No. 01-57. There were **NO** objections.

A vote was taken on the following:

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| Res. No. 01-52 | To Erect a World War II Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. (offered by Liberato; recommended by Operational Services Committee on 6/7/01) |
| Res. No. 01-51 | Commending Jennifer Farrugia for Receiving the Bobby L. Hill citizenship Award (offered by Hill; recommended by Operational Services Committee on 6/7/01) |
| Res. No. 01-55 | Commending Michelle Butch as Miss St. Clair Shores for Her Work on Water Quality (offered by Kennard and Sawicki; recommended at Operational Services Committee on 6/7/01) |
| Res. No. 01-56 | Full Faith and Credit for 17 Mile Extension Drain Bond Issue (recommended by Operational Services Committee on 6/7/01) |
| Res. No. 01-50 | Honoring Reverend Ronald Victor for His Many Years of Dedicated Priestly Services (offered by Sauger; recommended by Personnel Committee on 6/11/01) |
| Res. No. 01-54 | Commending St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church on the Dedication of its State Historical Marker (offered by DiMaria; recommended by Personnel Committee on 6/11/01) |
| Res. No. 01-58 | Establishing a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the County of Macomb and Designating the Boundaries of the Brownfield Redevelopment Zone |

THE MOTION CARRIED.

SEPARATED RESOLUTION

Res. No. 01-53 To Establish Dates for a Special Election for County Commissioner District No. 16 as Required by State Law (recommended by LAS Committee on 6/5/01)

Commissioner Lund feels the election is being delayed.

THE MOTION CARRIED, with Commissioners Lund, Brandenburg and DeSaele voting **NO**.

SEPARATED RESOLUTION

Res. No. 01-57 Declaring June 30, 2001 as Korean War Veterans Day in Macomb County (offered by Sessa; recommended by Personnel Committee on 6/11/01)

Commissioner Sessa indicated that the Korean War Veterans are being honored on the 30th of June at Freedom Hill.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM WAIVED TO FULL BOARD BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:

A **MOTION** WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER LIBERATOR, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER DIMARIA FOR RATIFICATION OF FIVE YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN NURSES ASSOCIATION – UNIT I, AND THE **MOTION CARRIED**, with Commissioner Lund voting **NO**.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Lafferty (**VERBATIM**): A few short hours following Fitzgerald High Schools senior prom, a young girl excited about her last week of high school was leaving her post prom party and stopped at a gas station in her Warren neighborhood with her friends. While at this gas station this girl and her friends were accosted by three males with very ill intentions. Upon driving away from this gas station, this young girl was shot twice, once in the arm and once in the head. Instead of attending her high school commencements, her senior breakfast and enjoying her graduation, Angela Forton remains hospitalized in critical condition following this senseless act of violence. Paducah, Columbine and Warren, where will this end? Violence knows no boundaries. It isn't something that happens on the evening news or on CNN. Violence is occurring in our own neighborhoods, now in my own back yard. I condemn this senseless act of violence. I condemn all the senseless acts of violence that has taken away a loved one, especially our children. And I condemn the opinion of those who think that life has absolutely no value. Fellow citizens of Macomb County, I plead with you to take the time to talk to your children about having respect for others. To talk to your children and explain to them the value of life. Explain to them that violence is not the answer to their problems. Most importantly, I ask you to take an active part in your children's lives. Help stop these senseless acts of violence. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Angela. With your family too. May God bless you.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Timothy Malone 14708 Carmel Drive, Sterling Heights

Encouraged the commissioners to be pro-active in assisting the residents of Sterling Heights in getting back the peace and tranquility in their neighborhoods that they deserve.

Connie Miller, Harrison Twp., Macomb County Sheriff Department Employee

Read a poem she wrote regarding pension equality.

Barbara Ziarko, 13805 Deepwood Court, Sterling Heights

Does not see Freedom Hill as a benefit to the City of Sterling Heights or the citizens of Macomb County. Very concerned about the noise level and the traffic volume.

Genevieve Seymour, Clinton Twp., Juvenile Court Employee 24 years

Spoke regarding the pension equality and discrimination.

Robert Movich, 35726 Georgetown Drive, Sterling Heights

Very upset by Freedom Hill noise and traffic.

Katherine Flanagan, Nurse, Martha T. Berry

Spoke regarding contract negotiations.

Louise Bertolini, 23621 Stragier Drive, Clinton Twp.

Questioned the need and cost for purchase of the Bell Forklift Property.

Laura Gies, Macomb County Probation Employee 28 years

Spoke regarding the discrimination in the county pensions.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

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ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Commissioner Rombach, supported by Commissioner Lafferty, and the **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Hertel adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m., until the call of the Chairman.

John C. Hertel, Chairman
Carmella Sabaugh, Clerk